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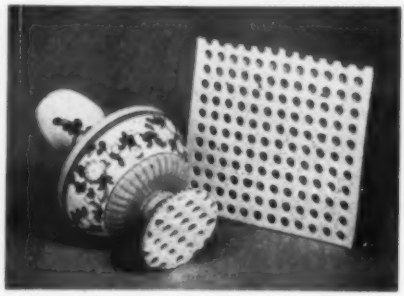

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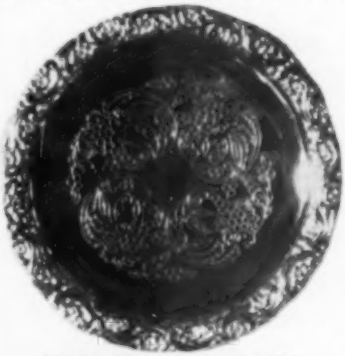

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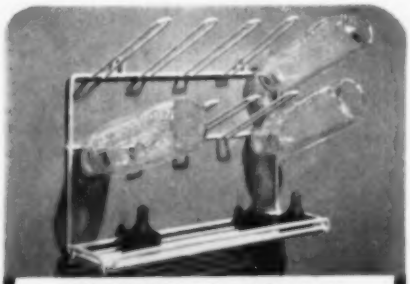

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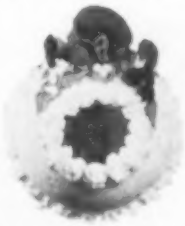

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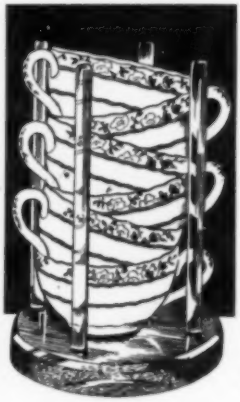

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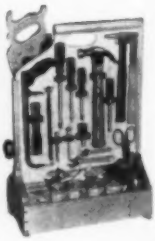

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Loafers size 7½ (male student type) high black sneakers, 8. Both excellent condition. 5 English tiny tea cups and saucers. Antique straight razor. Antique dark glasses and case with fine wire ear pieces. What have you? N103 N.Y.

Will swop piano, accordian for old harp. N104 N.J.

Will swop 2 evening gowns size 14, ballerina style. 3 dresses size 14. 1 pair evening slippers, size 5½. 1 pair black suede pumps size 5½. All like new. Swop for any breed A.K.C. registered puppy. N105 Conn.

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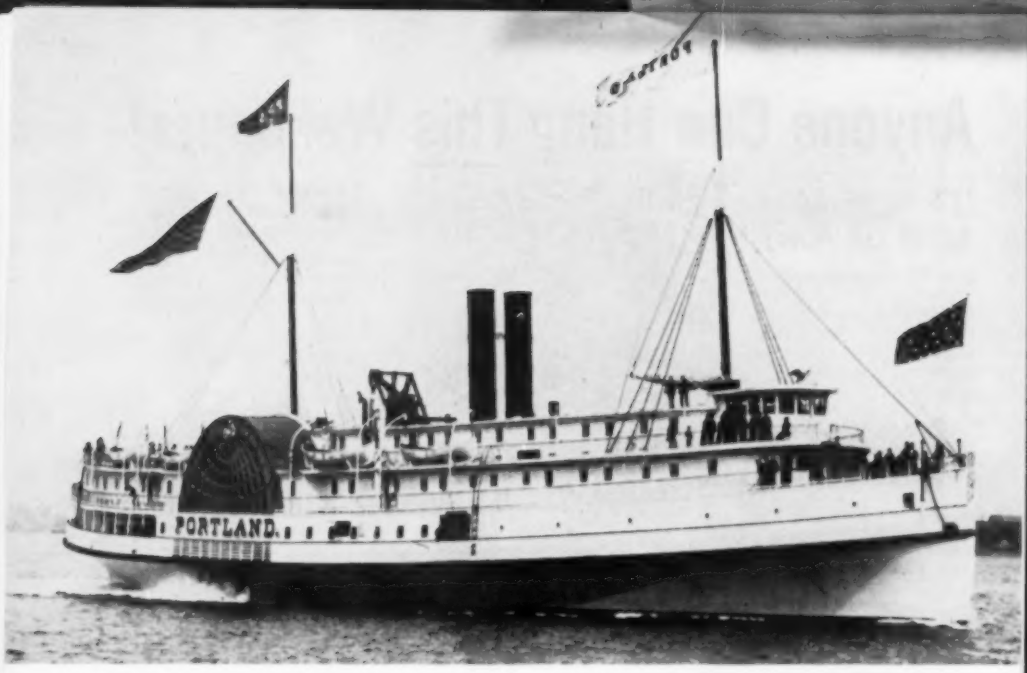

AT EXACTLY SEVEN O'CLOCK ON the night of Saturday, November 26, 1898, a deep-throated whistle split the chill night air of Atlantic Avenue on Boston's waterfront.

It was the steamer *Portland* announcing her departure on schedule from famed India Wharf for her regular down-east run from Boston to Portland, Maine. Also, although none could possibly realize it, that whistle was the last Captain Blanchard of the *Portland* ever sounded at India Wharf. Eternity was waiting for every person aboard the vessel, an eternity which would catch up with all hands on the doomed side-wheeler twenty-six hours later.

Although fifty-eight years have elapsed since that beautiful side-wheeler sailed out to meet the hurricane which still bears her name, the average New Englander has a false impression of what actually happened.

It is erroneously believed in many Yankee circles that the *Portland* not only disappeared completely after leaving Boston Harbor, but that no wreckage from her ever came ashore anywhere. Both beliefs are entirely wrong.

That Saturday night when the *Portland* sailed came two days after Thanksgiving, and because of those returning from the holiday there were more passengers than usual anxious to make the trip on the *Portland* to the city of the same name.

There has developed considerable discussion through the years as to what went on between the *Portland's* captain, Hollis H. Blanchard, and the company officials of the line up to the moment of departure. Captain Blanchard's son who went aboard the *Portland* just before she left the pier later stated that his father had been ordered to sail, and sail he did. Thus he followed orders and did not sail on his own responsibility.

The *Portland*, contrary to the usual belief, was sighted again, again, and again as she proceeded on her way down Boston Harbor, out into Massachusetts Bay, and still later when she was in serious trouble.

Captain Charles T. Martell of Medford was but one of a dozen sailing masters out in the storm which soon hit the area, and his statement follows:

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THE TRUTH ABOUT The "Portland"

"I was steering the tugboat *Channing* in a southeasterly direction, and the weather began to spit snow about eight o'clock. We were off Nahant. The weather was not bad at the time, but I knew a serious storm was coming.

"There were ten or twelve young men gathered on the topside of the *Portland* just forward and aft of the paddle wheel box. When one of the young bloods on the *Portland* shouted across to me to get my old scow out of the way I shouted back at him, 'You'd better stop that hollering, because I don't think you'll be this smart tomorrow morning.'

"By this time I was less than twenty feet from the *Portland,* and could easily make out the features of the young men sailing to their death. I gave three blasts of the *Channing's* whistle, and Captain Blanchard, whom I could easily recognize in the wheel house, answered them promptly.

"Thus I was the last person to speak to anyone aboard the *Portland,* and even after fifty years it makes me feel queer whenever I think of it."

The great side-wheeler had proceeded down Boston Harbor on schedule. She met spitting snow off Deer Island Light, and without anything unusual taking place, had proceeded across from Boston Harbor to a point near Thacher's Island.

By nine-thirty, however, when the steamer was still off Thacher's the storm smashed into the area with great fury. Captain Frank Scripture, ashore at Cape Ann, later stated that the advance fingers of the storm which became a terrible hurricane struck with such force that long rows of trees were knocked down by the miniature tornadoes. For years afterwards the evidence was still present in the Cape Ann forests.

Conjecture is aided by facts concerning the storm fingers. It was about eleven that night when the *Portland* was sighted off Thacher's Island by Captain Reuben Cameron aboard his schooner *Grayling,* only this time she appeared battered and bruised from her encounter with the gale. The side-wheeler was then rolling and pitching badly, but was evidently trying to keep headed toward the open sea.

Fifteen minutes after Cameron sighted the *Portland* (*Continued next page*)

This photo of the Portland's *crew was taken on land shortly before the famous vessel sank with all hands.*

Captain Frank Stream of the *Florence E. Stream* passed the side-wheeler, and at 11:45 p.m. Captain D. J. Pellier of the *Edgar Randall* narrowly escaped a collision with the *Portland*. At the time it appeared that the superstructure of the steamer had been damaged.

The *Portland* was unreported from 11:45 p.m. until 5:45 the following morning, but Captain Blanchard probably continued his efforts to stay out on the open sea, for his next known position was entirely across Massachusetts Bay, down off the shores of Cape Cod!

On Sunday, between 9:00 and 10:30, the eye of the great hurricane, then sweeping New England, passed directly over Cape Cod. In the partial clearing which then developed the *Portland* was sighted out to sea in company with the freighter *Pentagoet* and the granite schooner *Addie E. Snow*. Not a single person from any of these vessels lived through the storm to tell his story.

It was Patrolman John L. Johnson of Race Point who made the first awesome discovery. At 7:20 that bitter evening, wending his way from the Half Way House, Johnson noticed something out in the surf, something white in color.

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Although heavily retouched, this is an actual photograph of the body of the first woman to be brought ashore.

others, caught the small white object in its relentless grasp, pushed it high on the sloping shore, and then retreated seaward.

Down the slope Johnson plunged and snatched the object from the sand. Clutching it to his breast, the life saver staggered up the cliff to climb over the edge of the bank to safety. As the snow and sand bit into his face, Johnson lighted a Coston flare to examine his find. It was a life jacket, and by the flickering light he read the words on the jacket, *Steamer Portland*.

Actually, the *Portland*, although in serious trouble some distance offshore, had not as yet gone to the bottom, and it was several hours later before masses of wreckage from her stricken hull began to come up on the beach.

Nevertheless, the life savers were still hopeful of finding some one still alive in the wreckage, but this was not to be. Every single soul of the 190 who sailed with the *Portland* went down with her.

The bodies began to come ashore shortly afterwards, and several of those which were clothed had watches, each of which stopped between 9:15 and 9:28. Thus, we can estimate fairly accurately that if the *Portland* was seen afloat as late as ten-thirty that Sunday morning she could not have gone down until about nine-fifteen or so Sunday evening, because of

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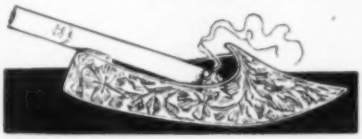

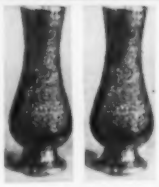

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the time the watches on the victims stopped.

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Many years afterwards, the *Portland* was located on the bottom by Captain Charles Carver of Rockland, Maine. In 1945 I visited Captain Carver at his home. He told me how his scallop drag caught on the *Portland,* which he accurately identified by the Portland Steam Packet design on a door knob that his drags brought to the surface. Taking me into his chart room he gave me the identical chart he had used over the wreck, with the *Portland's* recorded position on the chart.

On July 1, 1945, and under my direction, Diver Al George went down to the bottom to find the *Portland* and the granite schooner *Addie E. Snow* relatively close together on the bottom about six miles out to sea from Highland Light. It was evident that the two had collided and gone to the bottom. Diver George brought to the surface debris which included a stateroom key marked *Portland,* and other wreckage which indicates that the hull of the steamer he visited in 144 feet of water was without question the famous side-wheeler *Portland.*

Some time after the disaster the relatives and friends of those who were drowned on the *Portland* decided to meet together on the anniversary of the loss of the steamer and drop flowers into the sea in memory of those they loved. This practice became an annual

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custom, which culminated in 1948, the fiftieth anniversary of the sinking of the side-wheeler.

At that time the Portland Associates, as the group had become known, decided to disband as most of the members had reached old age. To mark the occasion President John A. Thornquist of the Associates unveiled a tablet at Highland Light, Cape Cod, commemorating the loss of the ship.

Later, however, the sons and daughters of those same friends and relatives agreed to revive the group under the name Sons and Daughters of the Portland Associates, and now each year they continue to drop flowers in the sea on the anniversary of the *Portland's* sinking.

Possibly the final act connected with the steamer *Portland* will take place on November 27, 1956, when the Sons and Daughters of the Portland Associates will make the long journey from all over New England to a wintry Cape Cod, where at the Race Point Coast Guard Station a tablet with a list of all the victims of the disaster will be unveiled.

The unusual significance of this unveiling is that not until one month ago could the list be completed, for when the *Portland* sailed from India Wharf that memorable night she took with her the only list of crew and passengers in existence, and it has only been after years of research that that list of 190 persons has been gathered together again. For those who assemble on that November eve at Race Point, Cape Cod, and I hope to be one of them, the affair will have a very unusual significance. They will probably be taking part in the last historical act connected in any way with the saga of the sinking of the side-wheeled steamer *Portland*, an event which was truly New England's greatest sea drama.

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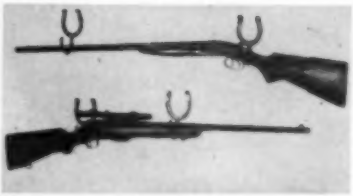

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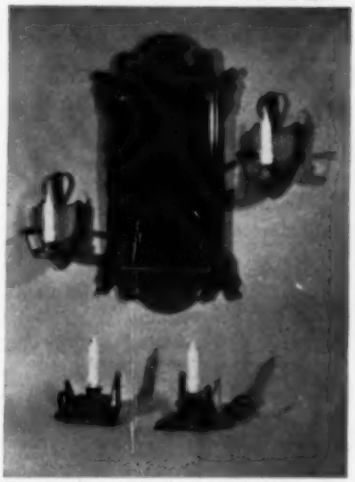

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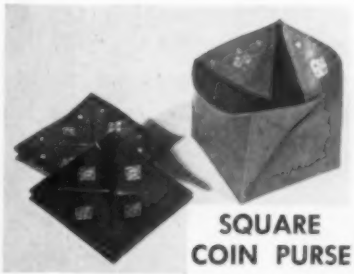

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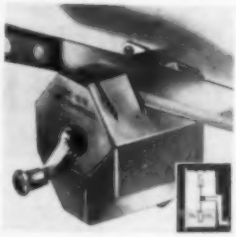

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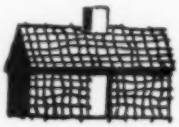

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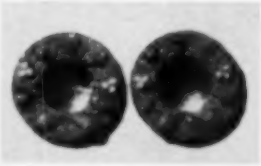

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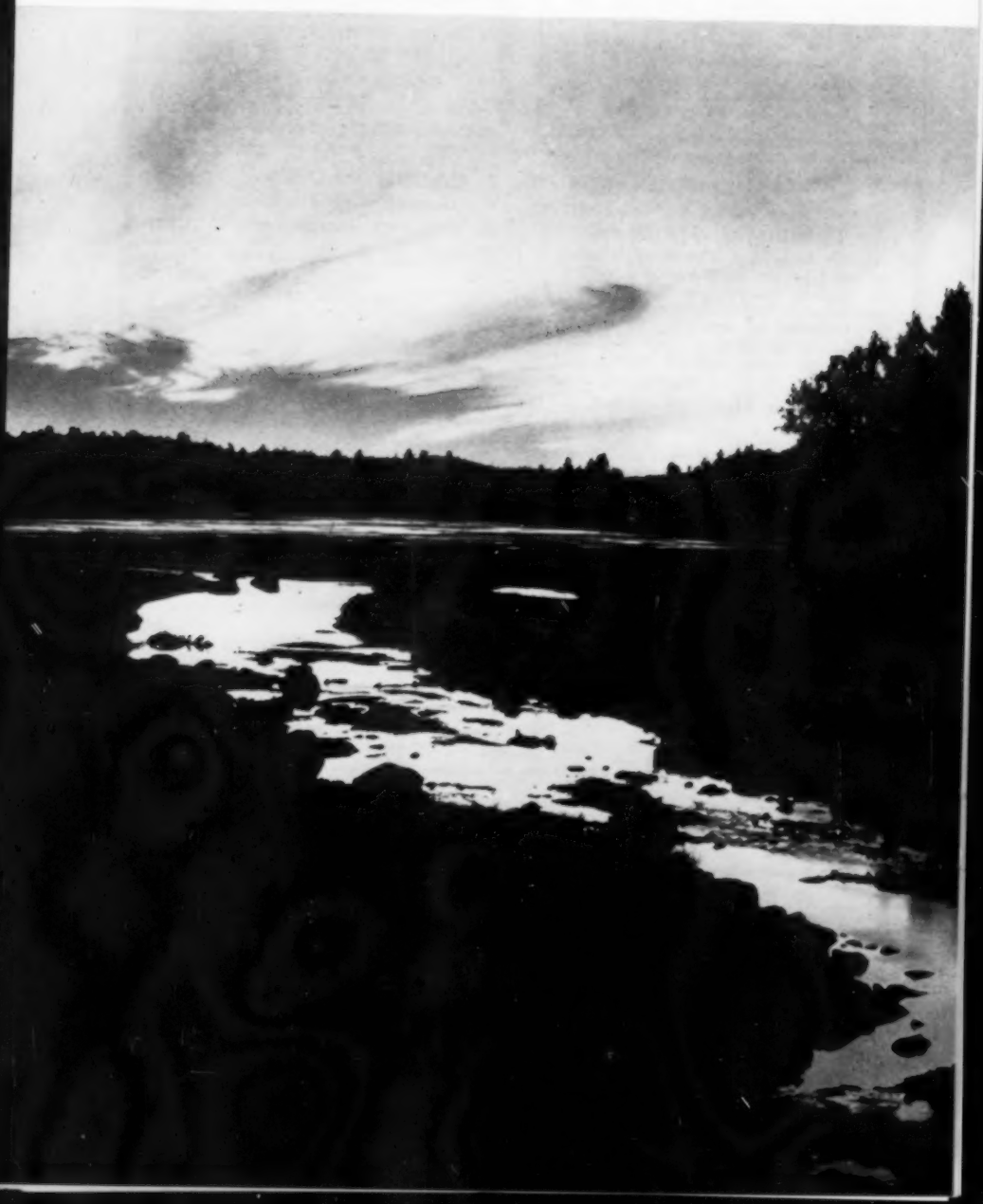


The skeletons of summer's greenery and autumn's blazing color stand bare in November. Bare branches, dried grasses and a chilly river proclaim the advent of another winter.

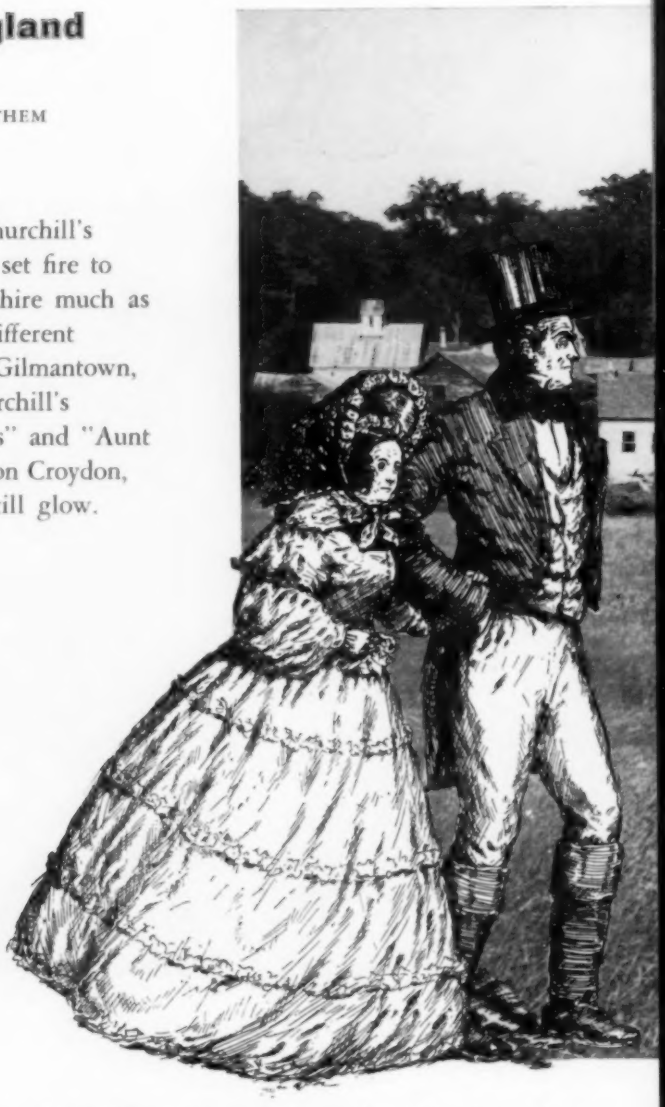
In a forest the first thin skim of ice is barely noticeable. The air, however, is nippy indeed and the best way to keep warm is to burn up the brush.

As November draws to a close the bleakness is covered by the first snowfall. The drab river of two weeks ago becomes a dazzling fairyland as mist covers the bare branches with hoar frost and snow caps the river rocks with sugary icing. But this is the first of many storms and the "brr" of Novemberbrr will last for many months to come.

This New England #14

by EDWARD CONNERY LATHEM

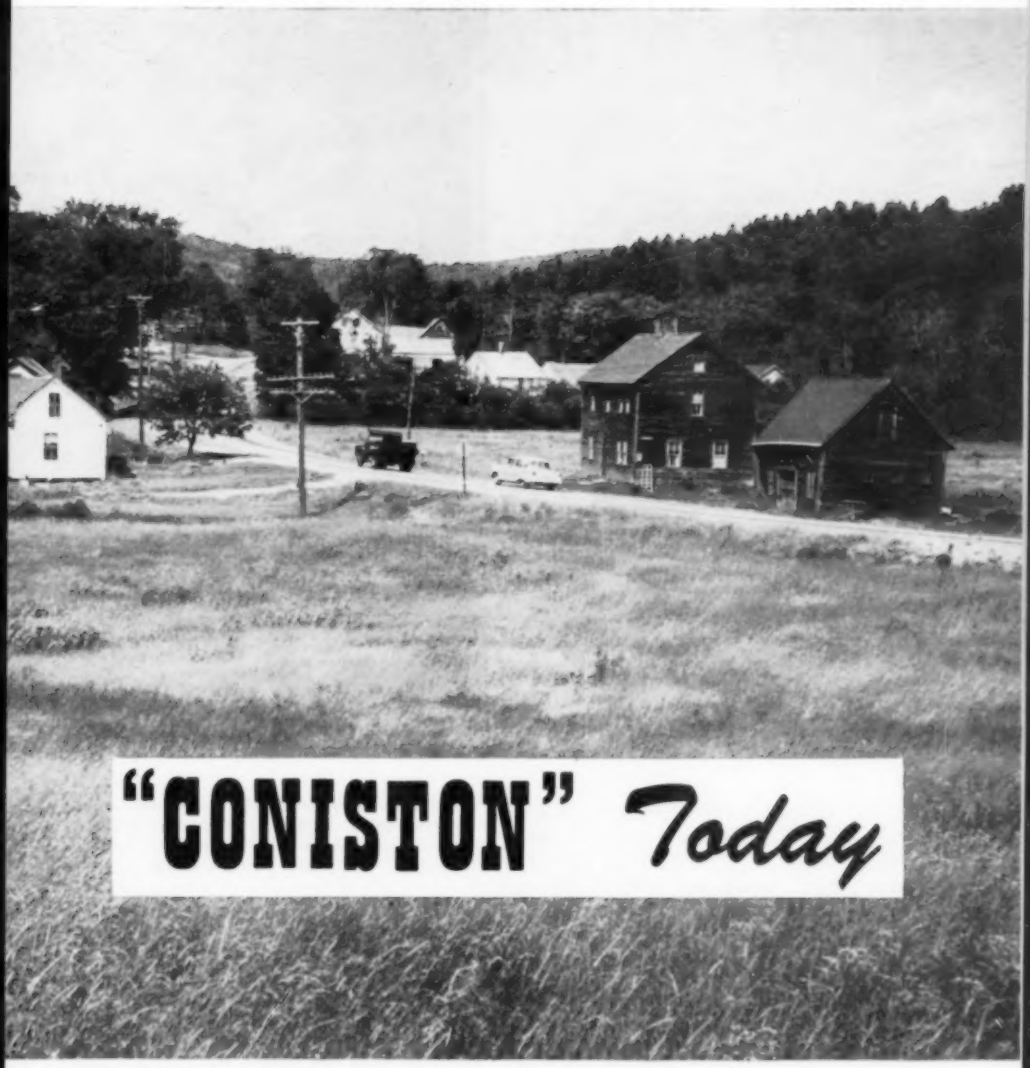
In 1906, Winston Churchill's best seller "Coniston" set fire to Croydon, New Hampshire much as a current novel of a different nature has set fire to Gilmantown, New Hampshire. Churchill's characters "Jethro Bass" and "Aunt Listy" here look back on Croydon, where the "embers" still glow.



ITS REAL NAME, of course, is Croydon, a pleasant little New Hampshire community (population 349) tucked in among mountain ridges and rolling foothills, its cluster of houses in the village surrounded by fields and woodland and bodies of shining water.

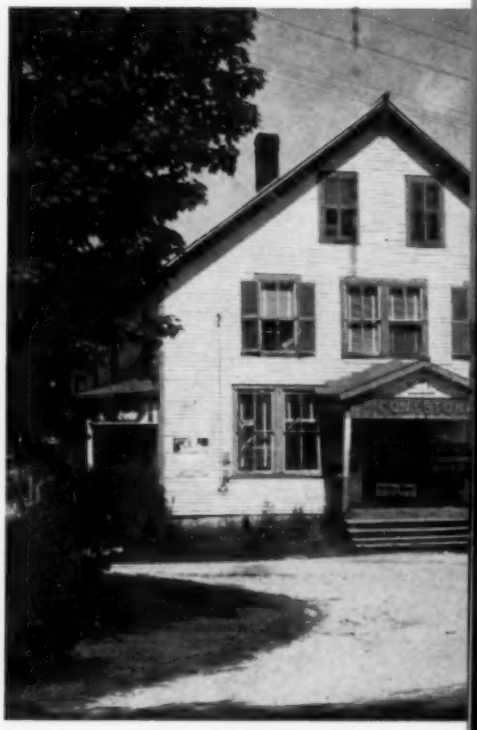
It is an old town with a history reaching back in time to pre-Revolutionary days, and the passing of nearly two hundred years has witnessed the occurrence there of many interesting and memorable events.

It is not, however, from any one of these historic happenings that Croydon's chief fame is derived, but from its having been the setting for a famous novel of a half century ago—a book that, al-



though it was then immensely popular and the object of a heated controversy as well—is now all but forgotten, as is its once-celebrated author.

The book was both a love story and the carefully drawn portrait of a political boss in the era spanned from the presidency of Andrew Jackson to that of U. S. Grant. And the author was the novelist Winston Churchill, whose earlier works had already won for him a wide reputation and an enthusiastic following on both sides of the Atlantic—so much so, in fact, that his English namesake, then Britain's Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, took to using a middle initial in order to avoid confusion between their respective literary products.



American novelist Winston Churchill made an intensive study of Croydon and its townsfolk before he began writing his famous, all but forgotten, novel.

Part of the idea for the novel grew out of a period which the young American writer spent as a member of the New Hampshire legislature, where for two terms he represented the town of Cornish. It was during these years that he heard related many stories about Ruel Durkee of Croydon, a picturesque political figure of yesteryear, the accounts of whose power over local and state affairs and the means he employed to achieve his objectives had grown with many re-tellings into something of a legend.

Churchill began collecting these anecdotes and sought out further reminiscences about the "Sage of Croydon," as Durkee was known. He gathered information on the particulars of his life and on his habits, actions, and dress, and even mastered to the point of perfection his haulting and quaint manner of speaking.

When finally the author began to write, Durkee, who was to be the principal character of the work, was for the purposes of literary disguise re-named "Jethro Bass," and the town of Croydon was identified as "Coniston," which was also used as the book's title.

The real and the fictional were closely interwoved as the writer skillfully developed his plot.

This was not intended, he declared, to be a biography of Ruel Durkee. "Some of the things set down in this book he did, and others," Churchill cautioned his readers, "he did not do."

Similarly, the village of "Coniston" was a blending of precise representation of Croydon and of imaginary concoction.

The sign over the door of Croydon's village store bears the word "Coniston." As a young man "Jethro Bass," as in the illustration here, used to sit on its doorstep.

The story which was thus created tells of the rise of "Jethro Bass," the stammering, awkward, unschooled tanner's son, who by the acquisition of mortgages and through shrewd maneuvers and quiet methods succeeded, first, in gaining political control of "Coniston" and, ultimately, in extending his influence throughout the entire state until he had become its political dictator.

Using his corps of faithful lieutenants, Jethro kept a close and careful rein on governmental matters; and when the legislature was in session he held court in room Number 7—"the Throne Room" as it was familiarly known—of the Pelican House, just across the street from the capitol. Nominations and elections to even the highest offices depended upon his approval, and the passage or failure of legislation was his to command.

But along with this unfolding of the events of the development of Jethro's dominance—representing the growth of "the Boss-Era" within the different states of the nation—is laid the story of his early love for "Cynthia Ware" and his loss of her because of her repulsion for his political methods.

His love, however, was later transferred to Cynthia's daughter, on whom he devotedly lavishes his affection and care and for whose happiness he at last, after one final display of power, voluntarily gives up his vast control, permitting the influence of the railroad to replace his own—reflecting a changing of the times as the individual boss is succeeded by the business corporation in the

While the legend and controversy about him continue, Ruel Durkee (right) lies in the Croydon cemetery beneath a tall granite monument erected by his associates. George Kemp, 81, interrupts his haying long enough to reminisce about Durkee. He remembers him as a kindly man. Storekeeper Leland L. Riley feels that politically the story is pretty close to Durkee's life as he lived it. Herbert D. Barton, 83, who remembers Durkee, is critical of the manner in which he is presented in "Coniston."

direction of political destinies.

Upon its appearance in the summer of 1906, just at the time its author was seeking nomination for the governorship of New Hampshire, the book was an immediate success, and in due course it became the best-selling novel of the year.

But Coniston's reception was not entirely characterized by laudatory response.

The author, in an afterword, had pointed out that perhaps many people "of a certain New England state" would inevitably recognize "Jethro Bass." Indeed, the identity of the real-life Ruel Durkee was too faintly concealed to afford the slightest deception to anyone familiar with New Hampshire's political history of the period concerned. It was obvious, too, that there would be some among the friends of Durkee who were still living who would feel that he had been slandered and unjustly represented in the book's portrayal, and a controversy was almost certain to arise, especially within the state in which action was laid.

Probably the most vigorous and clamorous of the assaults that were soon pressed forward by a number of Durkee's former intimates was that of New

Hampshire's ex-U. S. Senator William E. Chandler, who angrily denounced the author of *Coniston* for having depicted the "Sage of Croydon" in such a way as no friend "would wish to see described the life and character of one whom he considered an upright and honest man."

He attacked what he considered to be the irresponsibility of the historical novelist in not making it clear what was true to life and what had been contrived for literary effect in the character of "Jethro Bass," and he asked to what extent such license might properly be taken by writers of fiction.

"As a matter of fact," Chandler maintained, "Ruel Durkee did not obtain his local power and influence by his mortgages or his money; but by the personal influence which his natural abilities as a shrewd, although uneducated, New Hampshire countryman gave him. He never was a boss nor had he ever such large power as the novelist has described."

Churchill, although reluctant to become involved in an exchange of charges and vindications with the former Senator, is reported to have been drawn out

Mrs. Sadie E. Muzzey, Croydon's librarian, thinks the ruins of the Durkee house (opposite page) should be restored to its former state (insert). Nothing has been done at this time.

on the subject in an interview for a Washington newspaper.

Far from expressing repentence or regret for having handled too harshly the person on whom was patterned the chief character of his book, the author declared, "I really didn't picture Ruel Durkee as bad as he was. He was a perfect type of the modern political boss. I made Jethro Bass do many things that Ruel Durkee did and many things that he did not do. But that does not destroy the strength of the character or misrepresent Durkee. As I say, I was not as hard on Ruel Durkee as I might have been."

Others joined in with firm feeling and forceful arguments on both sides during the short period that the controversy raged. One individual, himself quite unmistakably portrayed in the work as a Durkee henchman, summed up the attitude of many of the politicians of the old school when he declared it to be "a *nawful* mean book."

But in the end the tempest accomplished little, save perhaps to stimulate even further the brisk sale that *Coniston* was enjoying.

Today, Winston Churchill's stirring novel that fifty years ago and for many years thereafter was so widely and avidly read may have passed into obscurity and been nearly forgotten, along with the circumstances surrounding its preparation, but in the peaceful community of Croydon men still talk of the colorful and fascinating figure on whose political career the famous book was based.

There the legend of Ruel Durkee lives on, and stories about him are yet told—some true, some partly true, some perhaps wholly false: little narratives revealing the man's character and qualities, illustrating his traits. And there are in Croydon still a few persons, now in their 80's, who actually remember him, the town's all-powerful man of so long ago.

At least two men reside within the village who worked for him as youngsters at spring planting or at harvest time

when even a small boy could help with the many tasks that had to be done.

These octogenarians recall the large hulk of a man (six feet, two and over 250 pounds in weight) in the stove-pipe hat and swallow-tail coat which were his invariable attire.

Often he would be seen riding about town in his democrat wagon, and sometimes he would throw down handfuls of pennies to the children to see who, in all the scramble that would follow, could pick up the most.

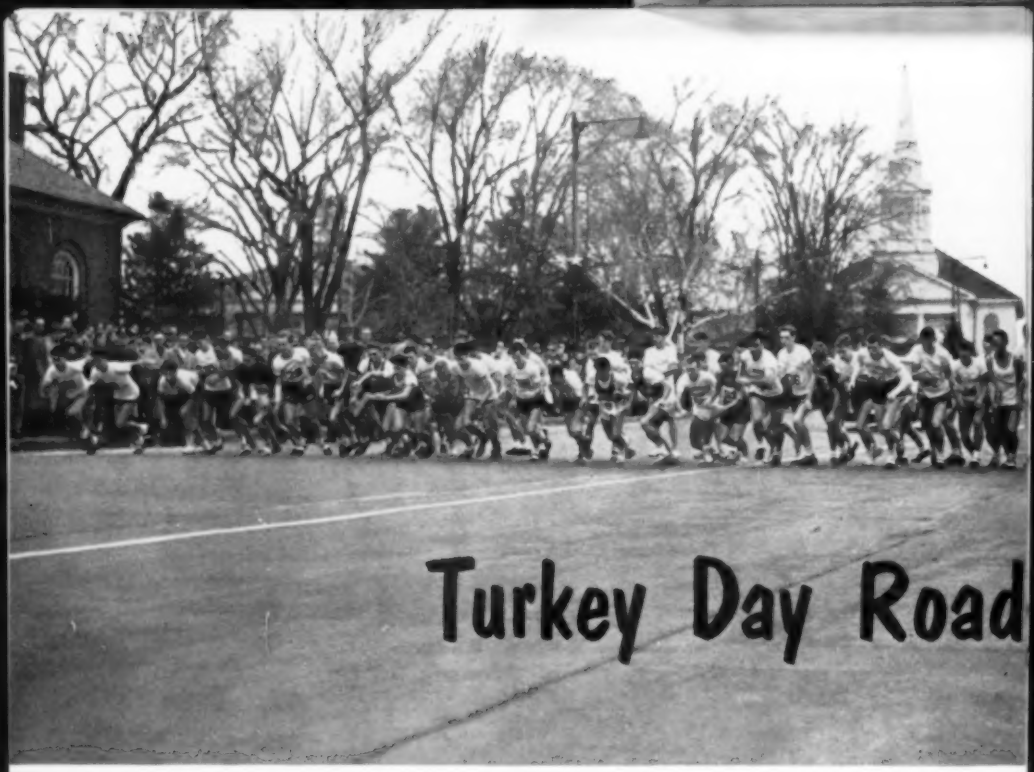
No one seems disposed seriously to question the fact that Durkee did, indeed, tightly control Croydon during much of his long lifetime and that his influence was also potent on the state level as well. But the legend that now remains is that of a benevolent dictator, not a hard and tyrannical boss.

"He was," as one of those who remembers him puts it, "a good man; good to everybody. He was everything that anyone needed in a town. That's the easiest way out of it. When we lost him we lost a good man."

And what of Mr. Churchill's book? How do the residents of Croydon in 1956 feel about the way their longtime first citizen was presented on its pages? Do they believe that "Jethro Bass" correctly mirrored Ruel Durkee, or was he maligned by Churchill's characterization?

As might be expected, among those who are familiar with the novel there remain to this day the two opposing points of view—although, understandably, they are now held with less feeling perhaps than in times gone by—on how accurate a representation was rendered.

Probably this will always be the case. And it may well be that the controversy, as a part of the larger Durkee legend, will go on unceasing over the years, forming, like the tall granite monument which stands in the quiet village cemetery, a lasting memorial to Ruel Durkee, "Sage of Croydon."



Turkey Day Road

TWO AND ONE-HALF HOURS after some 90 men have worked up a good appetite on November 22 they will sit down together with their wives and families in Manchester, Connecticut for an old-fashioned Thanksgiving Day dinner—their reward for competing in the "Little Boston Marathon."

Manchester commands the attention of the sports world once a year and its magnet is the "Turkey Day Road Race," a five mile event which now attracts the leading distance runners in the country. The harriers, sometimes forced to wear gloves if the weather is nippy, hear the opening pistol shot at 10:30 a.m. in front of the town library and the ensueing trek takes them through the Main Street business district, into a hilly and wooded area, down residential Porter Street, and out onto Route 44, a 4-lane highway, for the last lap.

Though the race is now as much a part of Manchester as its sidewalks and friendly natives this has not always been the case. In fact, the first contest in 1927 featured only a field of eight runners, all local products, and the crowd consisted mainly of friends and relatives.

Lewis Lloyd, town recreation director at the time, organized the affair. He hailed from Pennsylvania where road races in the Fall were quite common after World War I. At 72, today, he cannot recall what prompted him to have the runners compete on Thanksgiving morning, other than, "It seemed like a good idea."

The first race was won by John McCluskey, who is now a doctor in Brockton, Massachusetts. He staggered down the home stretch to shouts of encouragement from a boy who had followed him around the entire course on a bicycle. The youth pumping the two-wheeler was McCluskey's "kid" brother Joe.

Races in 1928 and 1929 failed to create much interest but by 1930 the bicycle rider of three years earlier was old enough to enter. "Shufflin" Joe McCluskey, the man who later went on to win 25 national track and field champion-

by JOSEPH A. OWENS

ships and become an international figure in the sport, was the stimulus the race needed.

More than 3,000 enthusiasts watched the peculiar flat-footed shuffle of the hometowner leave competitors in the dust that year. The opportunity to run in the same race with the "Iron Duke" sent the list of entrants sky-rocketing, but no one could touch the king of the distance runners and steeplechasers in those days and Joe won the race three years in succession.

Sincerely believing it would be in the best interests of all concerned if he stayed on the sidelines and gave someone else a chance to win, McCluskey did not enter in 1933 or 1934. He was missed—missed so much that after John Turley captured first place honors in 1934, the Manchester Army and Navy Club which had assumed sponsorship of the race in 1930, withdrew and the event was discontinued until 1945.

Again it was a local athlete, Dr. Charles Robbins, who brought the people out of their homes on the holiday morning. Robbins, running under the banner of the New York Pioneer Club, holds 10 national long distance titles, and he was at the height of his career when the race was resumed. He won in 1945 and again in 1946 as 5,000 people lined the streets and cheered him.

With the race regaining the prestige it had known in McCluskey's heyday the field of runners was increasing, but the real turning point came in 1947 when an entry blank was received from Joseph McCluskey of the New York Athletic Club.

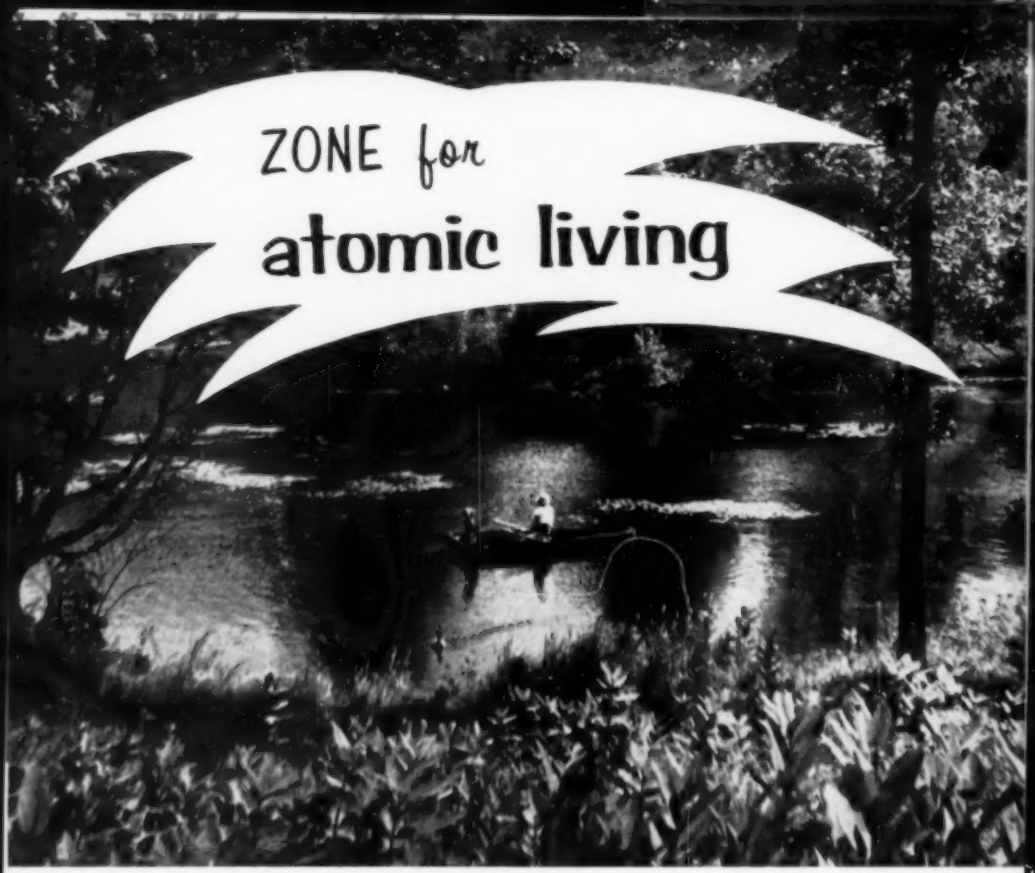
Fifteen years had elapsed since the "Fordham Flash" had performed before the hometown crowd. He had run in 13 foreign countries and been awarded more than 100 trophies and some 350 medals. His presence alone would have assured a banner turnout but the prospect of seeing the grand old veteran compete against Robbins was a dream come true.

The cheers of more than 8,000 men, women and children echoed throughout neighboring hillsides that frosty morning when McCluskey showed his heels to Robbins and 51 others in the star-studded field to win the race for the fourth time.

The Army and Navy Club along with a group of sports-minded citizens had reorganized the race in 1945 and continued backing it until 1951 when the Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Nutmeg Forest No. 114, took it over.

Immediately the Tall Cedars decided to take up a collection during the race and sell reserved seats at the finish line for the benefit of the Muscular Dystrophy Fund. Officials also felt something should be done for all the contestants who are away from home on the holiday and invited the runners to bring their families to the Masonic Temple for a turkey dinner following the race.

Though the race had often been called "The Five Mile Road Race" the serving of the turkey dinner prompted many of the tracksters to refer to is as "The Turkey Day Road Race," the name by which is now best known.



ZONE for atomic living

ROWE, MASSACHUSETTS, a one road town just off the scenic Mohawk trail, almost lost in the hills along the Vermont border, is a proud town, singularly honored in being chosen as the site for the first atomic-powered electric generating station in New England. Its residents, some two hundred and sixty in number, welcome the plant but hope that it will not change their way of life.

In Rowe last year there were four births, two deaths and three marriages. Rowe has a one room school with one teacher and about twenty pupils. There is a combined general store and postoffice and a gasoline station. There is a town hall, a church, a good library and very little else. There is a small lake nearby with a few cottages and a summer camp. The rest is fifteen thousand acres more or less of hills and forest with all of its natural beauty absolutely untouched. Into this is coming a $35 million dollar project. Test borings are being made now. Construction will start in the spring.

In the early days of its 170 year-old history Rowe had tanneries, a sateen factory, a casket shop, a talc grinding mill and the only iron pyrite mill in New England. Now in place of these vanished glories Rowe is to have an atomic power plant which will produce 134,000 kilowatts of power. There was never much doubt in the minds of Rowe's people that this would be a desirable thing. It will bring prestige to the town, a certain number of jobs, and it will add so much valuation to the town's valuation that the tax rate certainly will drop sharply.

The townspeople, with one or two exceptions, do not worry about having an atomic plant operating in their backyard. Talks given by the engineers have made people familiar with the principles of the

by LAWRENCE F. WILLARD

Wendall Bjork, left of barrel, plays checkers in a part of his store reserved for his wife's collection of antique and unusual store equipment. Says Bjork: "One or two people thought the plant might be dangerous at first, but these fears are quieted now. We don't think the town will change too much. We're prepared. I guess we are probably the smallest town in New England to adopt zoning laws like this."

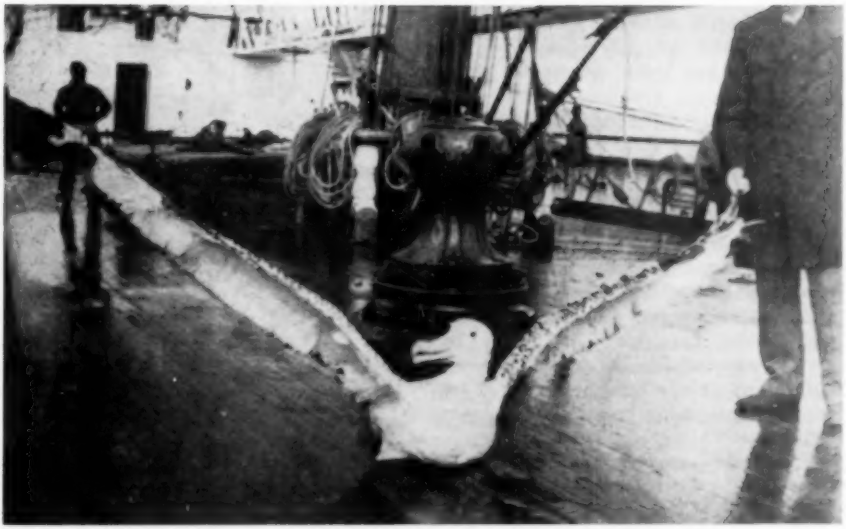
Harry Duncan, a poet who knows typography, has accepted a position to teach printing at State University in Iowa. Says Duncan: "There have been lots of wild stories about this atomic power plant, but I don't have enough information to make proper judgment about it. I think I'd have to say I'm opposed to it. This is a unique town . . . . everybody knows everybody . . . . I wouldn't want that lost.

Gerald A. Truesdale, left, isn't worried. "Everybody used to wonder, if you mentioned where you came from, where Rowe was. Now they know, doggone it. I guess it's quite an honor getting the first commercial atomic power plant." Leon Shippe, with scythe, works in a paper mill and says: "The plant will be safe enough. It'll cost 35 million dollars and nobody would risk money like that unless it's a sure thing."

water reactor as it will operate in the Rowe plant. It will be a conventional steam-electric station except that the boiler will be replaced by a large pressure vessel with eight-inch thick welded steel walls lined with stainless steel. In the center of the reactor stainless steel tubes will hold the uranium fuel. Energy generated by the fission of uranium atoms will heat the water in the reactor which will be pumped through the tubes of a heat exchange boiler. Here water surrounding the tubes will be changed to steam which will spin the turbine blades of a turbo-generator. The plant will use a good deal of water for cooling which will be returned to the Deerfield River. Officials of the Yankee Atomic Electric Company which will build the plant have given assurances that there will be no pollution of the Deerfield river and that water returned to the river will not be radioactive.

If the people of Rowe are not concerned about the safety of the plant, they have given a good deal of thought about the impact of the plant on their culture and way of life. They do not want uncontrolled industrial expansion. Theirs is a small, friendly, predominently agricultural community and they want to keep it that way. The families that will move in with the operating personnel can be absorbed easily. It is the possibility of other industries springing up as a result of the power, or to utilize the radioactive by-products of the plant in some manner such as the processing of food, that worried townspeople. To combat that threat they held a town meeting and adopted a set of by-laws giving the town complete control over industrial and residential expansion. Having done this, the residents of Rowe feel confident that the Yankee Atomic Electric Company installation will do them no harm and probably a great deal of good in the years to come.

A view of Rowe's quiet main street. This view is taken from the library, and shows the picnic table, chapel and the Town Hall to the right almost hidden by the trees.



More About the "Dirigo"

CAPTAIN GOODWIN, WHO commanded the *Dirigo* (see YANKEE's article on Bath, Maine, August, 1956) took that four masted square rigger from New York, July 3, 1901 and arrived, via the Horn, in Hong Kong for Christmas. Off Cape Horn, he baited the albatross, pictured here, on a fish line with salt pork. Captain Goodwin and a sailor hold the bird here. It measures 14 feet wing tip to tip. Out of the wing bones he made two fans, one for Mrs. Goodwin, and one which I now own.

The *Dirigo,* sunk in the English Channel in World War 1, was the first iron ship built in this country, the steel for it having been brought from Glasgow, Scotland. The *Arthur Sewall* was the first iron ship built here from American-made steel.

Captain Goodwin's son, F. Hallet Goodwin, now resides at 535 S. Curson Ave., Los Angeles, California.

Gertrude D. Fletcher

My wife, Margaret, maintains that we have the only plumber in the world who can enter our house by the back door on the first floor, go down cellar, go out again the same way he came in, and still leave dirty handprints on the white woodwork of the rooms way up on the second floor. She claims it isn't easy, but that he can do it.

We employ the services of G. Dougherty and Company, Plumbers. Once, some years ago, an architect, arriving on a job and not finding the plumbers present, said to the contractor, "Mr. Jones, has anyone seen that famous American vaudeville team of G. Dougherty and Company?" That seems to sum it up pretty well.

They take care of the plumbing for our small resort on Lake Champlain. They also take care of the plumbing in our home. They work out of Hanford, Vermont.

When our house was finished it became apparent that, because my office was on the north side and was cut off by a stair-well from the spot where the house thermostat was located, it would be too cool on north-windy days. We therefore decided to install a special thermostat and circulator just for the office.

When it was installed and turned on, the room temperature went to seventy-two right off. But it kept right on going. It went to eighty, then ninety. I had to open all the windows and doors to keep from suffocating. The hot water coming right from the boiler to that one radiator, made the radiator so hot that it kept on heating the room hotter and hotter long after the thermostat shut off the circulator.

It isn't easy, but he can do it.

I found that if I was to use the thing, I had to listen for the circulator to turn on, and then shut it off before it made the radiator hot enough to oven-roast me. I turned it off by walking over to the thermostat and blowing on it. This would keep it off long enough for the room temperature to rise the necessary fraction of a degree so it would shut itself off for good.

Let's say that I had a distinguished visitor in the office. I would hear the circulator turn on. The visitor would begin to find me inattentive while I tried to guage the exact amount of hot water to let into the radiator.

Then I'd suddenly rise and say, "Ex-

by MURRAY HOYT

I Hire Plumbers For Laughs

cuse me." I'd walk over to the thermostat, bend over and breathe heavily on it a couple of times. Then I'd come back and brightly face my visitor again. Usually he in turn would seem distracted, grow lines in his forehead, watch me covertly, and leave shortly thereafter, shaking his head.

We also had trouble with our domestic hot water installation. Every year or so the galvanized tank would rust through, would begin shooting a stream of water (invariably in the direction of something that would be spoiled by water) and would have to be plugged or replaced. If plugged, another leak would appear within a week.

After the second tank I said, "George, put in a copper tank."

"Have to use a reducer. Pressure's too great for copper."

So he installed a pressure reducer and a five hundred gallon copper tank. When the whole works was in place, it was beautiful to behold. The water heated up nicely. Marg even used some of the new hot water to wash George's handprints off the woodwork all over the house.

Then she said, "I think I'll do a wash."

She started the automatic washer. I went up and turned the hot water on full to draw a bath. I was ready to temper the piping hot water with cold. I touched it with one finger, carefully. I nearly froze the finger. The water was ice cold.

I tried the wash basin faucet. Cold. I tried every other hot water faucet in the house. All cold. I called Mr. Dougherty.

Between us we found out what had happened. The automatic washer connection was a mixing arrangement and into it came both hot and cold water. When they both came in at the same pressure, nothing happened. But when the hot water pressure was reduced, the higher pressure on the cold water line, pushed that cold water right through the connection and drove all the hot water right back to the tank. When you turned on a hot water faucet, the cold water, with heavier pressure, held the hot water at bay in the tank and rushed to answer the call instead.

When you shut off the two faucets on the supply pipes of the automatic washer, everything worked perfectly again.

About three nights later the new hot water tank burst and flooded the entire cellar. Books became nice and soggy, car-

We had surprises the rest of the winter.

tons melted and opened up, canned goods and other items spread out.

Did you ever try to tell what's in a can after it has lost its label in such an accident? It makes for some amazing culinary surprises. We had those surprises all the rest of the winter.

In the next few days Mr. Dougherty installed a new tank. That time he put on a pressure release valve. I don't think he had put one on the first tank.

Nick, Mr. Dougherty's helper, was there for the installation. In the course of the proceedings I heard him say, "Better be careful not to grab that pipe with your bare hand, George."

"Oh," I heard Mr. Dougherty reply with hearty confidence, "I don't believe the heat could possibly have traveled this —OUCH! *My* *#@#*& blankety-blank-blank hand!" Then in a loud, contrite whisper, "Is Mrs. Hoyt upstairs?"

"Well," Nick said conversationally, "it doesn't make much difference. She could have heard you clear downtown anyway."

The first year that we went to Florida and had the system drained, we found a low point which didn't drain well. This might have presented a problem to some plumbers. But not to Mr. Dougherty.

He simply took a hack saw and sawed the pipe in two.

Of course when I saw with horror what he'd done, I bleated.

"It's nothing to get upset about," Mr. Dougherty assured me. "I'll put in a T and a plug. Then we'll always be able to drain it."

In due course he did so. It stuck down. Within thirty seconds there came a dull, "Whock." That was me hitting my head against it.

"You should of watched where you was going," Mr. Dougherty said.

"You should have turned it up the other way."

Mr. Dougherty looked at me with considerable patience. He said, "If I turned it any way but down, the water wouldn't run out of it."

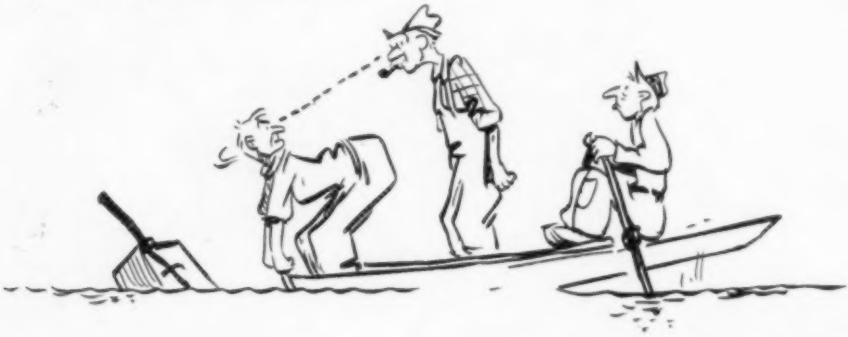
So we have a T sticking down in the cellar. We have tried various things—padding it, hanging up warning signs. But in spite of that, every little while there's that dull "Whock!" Somebody—usually me—has whacked his head against it.

Last year when we went to Florida, Mr. Dougherty opened the house for our return on a zero day in February. Ours being a hot water system, he had to run water into the system before he could start the burner. We have a mercury switch set-up which will not allow the circulator to start till the water in the boiler has reached top temperature. Meantime the water in some of the radiators froze.

Mr. Dougherty worked all day, but he never could release the sewing-room radiator. Pretty soon water from it began to run down through the dining room ceiling.

Mr. Dougherty went down cellar, cut the lines (*Continued on page 90*)

The end of the pipe waved gaily in the air.



by S. E. WHITMAN

IMAGE OF A DOCTOR

FROM A BOX CONTAINING a hodgepodge of papers, a box put aside almost one hundred years ago, there emerges the dimly perceived form of a country doctor. He had his strengths, his weaknesses, and his troubles—especially troubles.

The box contains little, oddly shaped notes, probably delivered by a barefoot boy, or a kindly neighbor. There are letters written upon ruled paper, with tiny seals embossed in the upper, left hand corner; letters in the careless, sprawly scrawls of sea Captains. There are letters in delicate tracery, and minute wording, written by anxious women, the envelopes bearing the legend "Please forward in haste."

There are also many little narrow Western Union telegrams in covers the hue of rancid butter, and others on the forms of the long forgotton American Telegraph Company. These are written in long hand by the village operators of Yarmouth, Barnstable, Osterville or Cotuitport; names suggesting dark green foliage and sandy soil, trim white houses and the smell of the sea. Cape Cod of the 1860's.

Cotuitport. Feb. 1865.

Dr. —— der sir—When you was her 5 or 6 weeks ago you promes to send my wife by espress Sum medson for hir numness an i have not sene anney thing of it yeat Sence i have rote you a letter and not herd from that And my wife neds it varry Much i want you to send it by return of male or Sa you will not.

yors truly,
Ensign Milliken.

Yarmouth 1865.

Dr.——.

I want you to come up and see mother again as soon as you get this for she dont get any better of her cough.

Julia Munsell.

The American Telegraph Company.
Hyannis Feb. 1865.

Dr. ——. Come here as soon as you can am sick at Stebbin's.

Baxter Snow.

Beneath this message, written in the staggering scrawl of the operator, appears the sage advice, "you better stop at Hyannis offis and see if it is not So. Yarmouth."

This one presaged something momentous—or did it?

The American Telegraph Company.
So. Yarmouth. 1865.

It has not came.

Lillian Shore.

Sandwich was heard from. The Doctor received it at 2:30 in the afternoon—and Sandwich miles away.

Come to my house this afternoon not fail.
James Goff.

More telegrams, with the Yarmouths seemingly in constant trouble.

Come to my house near Baptist Church Lower Village immediately.
Benj Whalen.

Come to Ansel Chase immediately Sea Street second house.
Ansel Chase.

Mr Bristow dead come here immediately we wish an examination.
No Signature.

Baby is dead.
Bella Lewis.

With telegrams to pay for, collections poor, and patients ever asking further aid, this letter must have gladdened the Doctor's heart—it contained a three cent stamp for a reply.

Yarmouth 1865.

Dr. ——

Sir: Will you meet me at Dr.——'s office, Hyannis thursday p.m. at 2 o'clock to give me ether while he extracts thirteen teeth?

Perhaps you will remember you have given me ether while Dr.——. has taken one tooth.

Mary Small.

Then there is a plaintive note written by a friend of an ailing man.

Osterville 1865.

Doct.—. Please send those pills of George Davis Elkins by mail or express as his bloat don't go down but he seems more comfortable.
Horace Blantlett.

West Barnstable sent this invitation.

Sir: Mrs Belden has got a very bad thumb we would like for you to come and see it.
with respect,
Susan Bangs.

An envelope marked "in hast."

Yarmouth. Mar. 1 1865.

Mr. ——. Dear Sir:

Com to my child to morow if you can And if you cant com to morow com the Next day com as Soon as you get this if you can pleas com fast to cut out that Mark pleas com for it is groin larger every day.

Samual Cass.

Sometimes there are letters which, while conveying startling news, did not require the Doctor to get out his sulky and lash the patient Maude into a lather.

Dr. ——. Rella's medicine operated five times, the coat is about off her tongue, she is feeling much better.
resp. yours,
Ada Wright.

And a letter from Osterville, dated December 26 1867.

Dr. ——.

Dr Sir: I want you to cum to my house as Soon as you can Alexina is Sick and I feare of a scorrous natur if you can do aneything for her I think it is best to commence in season.

Respfuly yours,
Alex Dodge.

It being the day after Christmas, Alexina may have only been suffering from a gluttonus celebration at the groaning board, or maybe it was something of a "scorrous natur'—the record fails to reveal which.

There are also things to test the credulity, and man's faith in human nature, such as this letter from a village Apothecary.

Centerville.
April 2 1866.

Dr. ——.

Dear Sir: Circumstances are such that I feel sort of compelled to write you in relation to the herb I sent Mrs Cass through mistake two weeks ago yesterday. Instead of its being senna as I supposed, it proved to be bucho. I told the boy who came for it that we had no senna in the store. My wife observed we might have some in the house and on looking found one fourth of an ounce by weight of what we supposed to be senna although I remarked to her that it looked rather green but never having seen any bucho before took it for granted that it was senna as my wife felt pretty sure that she had taken some of it with salts only a short time previous and she never felt any ill effects from taking it but thought it tasted rather bitter. It must have been in the house many years for it was in the house when my wife came here. I never had any in the store and know not how it came in the house. I am now fully informed as regards the qualities of the herb having conversed with Doct Jalde and Doct Dunn on the subject also seen Dr Jalde's medical works. The above authorities agree in saying that bucho taken as a medicine is just as harmless as pennyroyal or catnip and yet Dr. I am charged with the fact that had the medicine been given it would have poisoned and killed the child. This Mrs Cass's sister said to me and repeated it twice in the presence of my wife and myself. Said she Dr. —— said he gave only two grains or about a fifth of what I sent them in the most critical case leaving the impression on the minds of us both that what she told us she got from you and yet neither of us would credit it. I saw her afterwards and she said in the presence of another person that she did not mean to give the impression that Dr.——. said the medicine would have poisoned and killed the child but only that the medicine would have injured it very much. I dont think it best to name the person that she did say it would poison and kill the child. Dr.——., I desired to see you and have waited hoping that I might and get from you just what you really did say for Dr Jalde and Dr Dunn both say they cannot believe that you said it would injure the child even. Neither can I knowing now the qualities of the herb. I am sorry Dr. to trespass upon your time and patience but under the circumstances it seems necessary and it would relieve me to have you answer this by letter as it has created quite a muss I being called an Apothecary.

yours with much esteem,
Sylvanus Jacker.

There is no additional mention of the 'muss' but maybe the vagaries of the local Apothecary (*Continued on page 92*)

by MARY BUSH HOUSE

Skipper's Storytime

ONE MORNING EACH WEEK during the summer, the porch of "Skipper" Frank House of Cuttyhunk Island, Massachusets, groans under the weight of up to thirty youngsters, five to eight years old. From such an assemblage of small fry one would expect yells, war whoops and general mayhem, but this group is strangely silent. The reason is that the "Skipper" is spinning his justly famous stories, legends and tales of the sea, and to interrupt the "Skipper" would bring the scorn of the entire group down on the unfortunate offender. "Story Hour" on "Skipper's" porch is an event in the lives of these children, for it gives them the opportunity to hear something of the fairy tale type of story which has become almost passe in this era of space ships and wild west six shooter tales of blood and thunder. Who cares for TV when the "Skipper" spins his yarns?!

POETRY

The Old Man In Pershing Square

MARCIA MASTERS

Mike's white hair seemed to float him
On clouds of discolored lace,
And the ghetto fought with elves
For the shape of his soul and face.

But there in the park he stood
And played on his old violin,
With a wispy soprano hand,
And a snowstorm upon his chin;

A rose on his stubborn hat,
And yesterday on his shirt,
Which blossomed with city dust,
And a stain of old dessert.

Till the sun went down he played,
And the streetlamps painted him there—
With his years fallen like leaves
On the sidewalks of Pershing Square.

Veteran

A. KIRBY CONGDON

I only do the best I can
for him or any other man.
Under the blinding sun I fanned
his brow and made shade with my hand.
I wet those panting lips of his
and watched "was" push out "is."
I weighed down his tired eyes
(his face showed no surprise)
and I straightened the wood cross stuck,
at last, in his dry grave.
But having nothing, I nothing gave,
and I shared none of his astringent pain.
Yet I feel his last smile—soft as rain.

Nightpiece

ANN STANFORD

Here in this chill half-death
Portending dawn, I wake
And drift in little light,
Seeing not forms but breath.

The tongue that leaps to scold
Harrying on the young
Is chidden, and the ache
Of love seeps in with cold.

What can we say to rest?
Only in stillness move
To draw the comfort close
And know the largeness pressed

On such a few brief years:
Night-spirit, hovered near,
To be the ultimate
The silencer of fears.

The Death of Autumn

DANA SARGENT

How name this transience,
This white-fallen dusk
Of the pale red thickets
And the crickets' hush?

Neither winter's nor autumn's,
The leaf-smoke curls
Over silo and willow
Through the grey cloud sky.

The sumacs wail over
The leaves they have dropped
To the Indian river
Blue-flowing and gold.

The silo swells up,
Heavy with harvest,
As a first snow falls
And the plum leaves perish.

by LEWIS A. CARTER

Governor's Mansion

THE OLD GRAY HOUSE at 33 Shirley Street in Roxbury, Massachusetts is almost lost between the tenements that overshadow it on the east and west. Two hundred years ago this derelict was the most elaborate and palatial of the Roxbury mansions, having been built by William Shirley, Governor of the Crown colony of Massachusetts from 1741 to 1756. Almost all of the materials which went into the making of Shirley Place were brought over from England, including the oaken frame and three different types of brick. Shirley spent vast sums of money to make Shirley Place the memorable mansion that it was in the middle of the eighteenth century. There were two entrances. One faced Boston harbor to the eastward and the second entrance faced the west. There were at the time two gracefully proportioned wings, called "piazzas," which extended north and south from the massive square center of the mansion. The east doors were used ordinarily and led into a great hall two stories high. From its right a broad staircase led to a balcony which ran across the room. The balcony was used by the musicians who often regaled the company at table in the hall below. Double doors on the right and left of the hall led into parlors and reception room. Upon ceremonious occasions hall, parlors and reception room could be turned into one by opening the doors.

In 1745 Governor Shirley called a secret war meeting here for the purpose of planning the assault against the French fortress of Louisburg. Thus the Cape Breton campaign was hatched by which a military expedition of four thousand New England men, led by Colonel William Pepperell, captured Louisburg. The Naval gunfire of Commodore Warren's British fleet supported the assault.

In 1756 Governor Shirley's son was killed in the battle of the Monongehela, at which the British General Braddock also fell. The bearer of this grievous news was George Washington who came to Shirley Place and remained as the Governor's guest for about ten days. Washington mingled much in society during his stay and little dreamed that one day

The original watercolor of the Shirley Mansion was painted in 1770 by Lieutenant Pirrie.

this region would be his first theater of military operations against the British. Washington noted that Governor Shirley was "the gentleman and politician" and that "he was perfectly charmed by him."

Shirley died in 1756 and the mansion was bought by Judge Hutchinson, his son-in-law. Upon the latter's demise, the house was confiscated due to its owner's loyalist tendencies, and sold to the Hon. John Read, who, in 1775, quartered Revolutionary troops in it, much to the detriment of the structure. In fact Colonel Asa Whitcomb led his troops from Shirley Place to take part in the battle of Dorchester Heights on March 4, 1776.

Two later owners of this illustrious house are of somewhat bizarre interest to students of history. One, Giles Alexander, confined his wife's outdoor recreation to what was referred to as "a labyrinth in front of the house." His infamous domestic acts were such that he was called on one night by a group of young bloods from Boston's best families and treated to a suit of tar and feathers. The other was James Magee, a sea captain, who with 77 others of his crew on the privateer brig *General Arnold*, was driven ashore at Plymouth by a bitter winter storm and frozen to death.

Governor Eustis bought Shirley Place in 1819. He was a famous and lavish host. Among his many guests were John Quincy Adams, Henry Clay, Daniel Webster, John C. Calhoun and the Marquis de Lafayette, an old comrade in arms. Eustis lived in the house until his death in 1825.

At the turn of the 20th century, the Shirley-Eustis mansion fell prey to the machinations of a real estate developer, the land was cut into lots, and the proud old house moved from Dudley Street to its present lowly position. A bill before the Massachusetts Legislature proposes the restoration of the house and there are some who favor the plan to move it to a suitable location with sufficient land and to convert this house of two Governors into the Governor's mansion. Perhaps the Shirley-Eustis mansion will thus rise Phoenix-like from the ashes of Roxbury to its pristine glory.

The Roamings of Rover

by JOHN GOULD

A VETERINARIAN WAS TELLING me the other day that the coolness of a dog's nose is much overrated as a barometer, or harbinger, of the creature's health. Oh, he said, it helps—but you can't go by it altogether, and so forth and so on.

This nullifies the old story of the college professor who thought he was a dog. He used to lie at his wife's feet, gnaw bones, growl when the postman came, and all such as that. They finally sent him to an asylum but he shortly escaped by digging under the fence and came back to the university, where he walked in unannounced on the president. Much astonished to see him, the president blurted out. "Er, uh—are you all right?"

And the professor said, "Oh, yes—feel my nose, how cool it is!"

What I started to do, though, was tell you of the time Charlie Proctor thought he heard a noise in his henhouse. Charlie was well snuggled under winter blankets, sleeping the sleep of the carefree country gentleman, and as Charlie wasn't much on style he was sleeping in his long-handled underwear, the encompassing kind that reach from ankles to wrist and have a handy drop seat on the flap order. Charlie was roused by the distinct impression that he heard something cackling, so he threw back the blankets, plunged his feet into his boots, grabbed up his shotgun, thrust in a shell, and sneaked out the back door to see what was going on.

He crossed the frosty barnyard, reached the henhouse, pulled the hasp, opened the door a crack, stuck the shotgun inside, and was just about to say, "Who's there!"

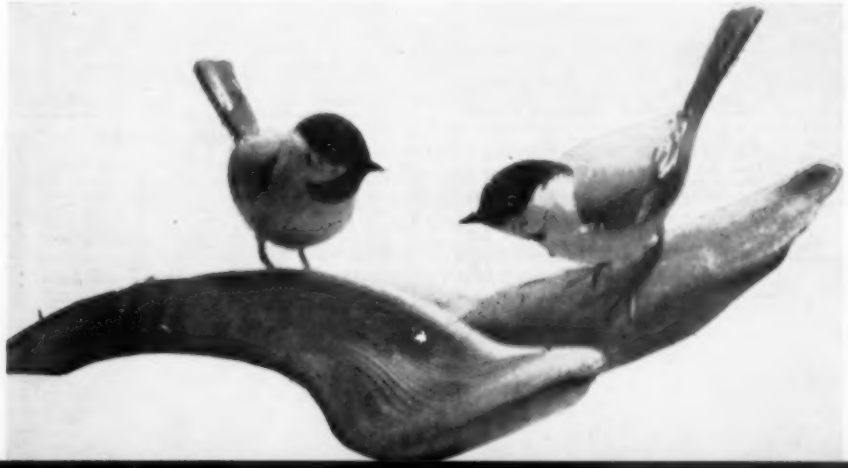
But Rover, Charlie's lumbering bloodhound, had been sleeping at the foot of Charlie's bed, and when Charlie struck out the faithful dog fell in behind him and followed along. When Charlie stopped at the henhouse door, Rover kept right on a-coming, and ran his cold, wet nose inside the flap on Charlie's drawers, and Charlie let out a resounding whoop of astonishment, squeezed the trigger, and mowed 27 sleeping hens right off the roost.

Her Business Is Birds

DOROTHY WASHINGTON, bird carver, has lived in her red house by the railroad track, in North Edgecomb, Maine, for 25 years. For eight of these years she has been carving birds, thousands of them by now, which go all over the country, and to England, Holland, Canada, Alaska, Hawaii and other far places.

After a stint of four war years as Women's Personnel Director in a shipyard, she was casting about for some means of a livelihood without leaving her much-loved home, when an acquaintance in Boston asked her to find someone to make birds for her shop. Since she had studied birds all her life, this seemed a good field to investigate. Carving and painting had to be learned the hard way, but she feels the basic requisite for a bird carver is knowing birds. She spends several months each year studying birds at first hand all over the country, and is seldom without a pair of binoculars around her neck.

The birds have brought many interesting contacts—shut-ins, members of garden clubs, naval officers, doctors, among others, have started as customers and become friends. But she is perhaps proudest of the birds she sends regularly to two children's museums. These, she feels, are true emissaries, teaching children to know and love the wild creatures around them, and opening to them an interest and awareness that will enrich all their lives.



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Oatmeal Bread

4 cups boiling water or milk
2 cups rolled oats
2 T. lard
2/3 cup molasses
1 T. salt
1 cake compressed yeast
½ cup lukewarm water
9 to 10 cups flour, sifted

Pour boiling water or scalded milk over rolled oats and lard, cover and let stand for one hour. Add molasses, salt and yeast cake (dissolved in lukewarm water). Add flour, gradually beating in with a knife. Let rise until double its bulk; cut down, shape into loaves and let rise again. Press into buttered bread tins; let rise again and bake for 40 to 45 minutes in a 350° F. oven. Makes four loaves.

In November the harvest is over in New England and the corn shocks are plowed in.

Early American still life — artist unknown.

At tea-time . . . .

Banana Bread

- 1¾ cups sifted flour
- ¾ teas. soda
- 1¼ teaspoons cream of tartar
- ½ teas. salt
- 1/3 cup shortening
- 2/3 cup sugar
- 2 eggs, well beaten
- 3 mashed bananas

Sift the flour, soda, cream of tartar and salt together three times. Rub the shortening to creamy consistency with the back of a spoon. Stir the sugar, a few tablespoons at a time, into the shortening and continue stirring after each addition until light and fluffy. Add eggs and beat well. Add flour mixture alternately with banana, a little at a time. Beat after each addition until smooth. Pour into a well greased loaf pan and bake in a moderate oven (350° F.) for about one hour or until the bread is done. Makes one loaf.

For your holiday bird . . . .

Butternut Stuffing

- 1¾ cups butternut meats, chopped
- 4 cups bread crumbs, sifted
- 1 teas. dried powdered sage
- ½ teas. summer savory
- ½ teas. thyme
- 1 egg, well beaten
- ½ cup cream
- 4 cups hot mashed potatoes
- 1 teas. salt
- ½ teas. pepper

Mix well, nuts, bread crumbs and dried powdered herbs. Combine well-beaten egg with cream. Add this to the freshly boiled mashed potatoes. Add salt and pepper and beat. Put the mixture together and stuff bird. Makes stuffing enough for good sized turkey.

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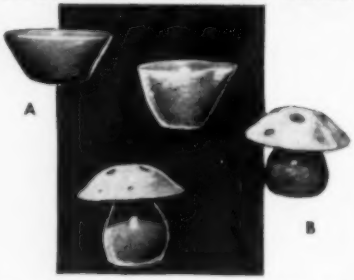

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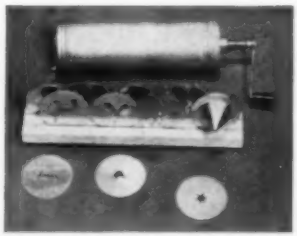

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1 loaf day-old bread with crusts discarded
¼ pound citron cut in small pieces
¾ pound suet, chopped
1 pound currants
1 pound raisins
Grated rind of one lemon
¼ teas. cloves
1½ cups sugar
1 teas. salt
3 apples, chopped fine
1 wine glass brandy
6 eggs, beaten

Crumb the bread, mix all ingredients in the order given. Turn into greased 1½ quart mold, cover and steam for 6 hours. Serve with

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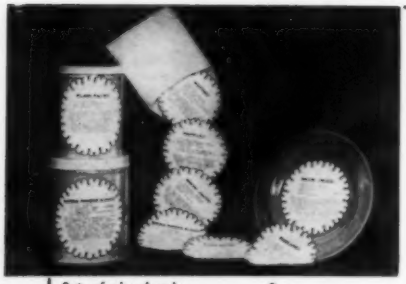

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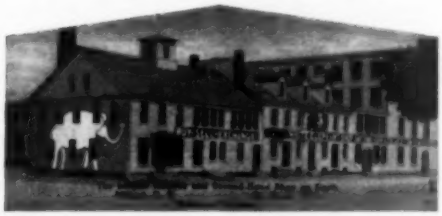

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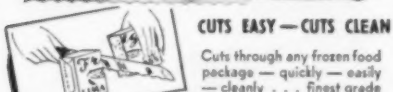

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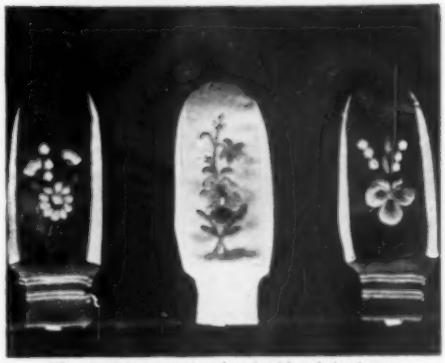

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Small Business and Crafts

by JANE SCRIVEN

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Soon the now famous Textile House grew too big for its decorative britches. Additions were made to the original little salt box cottage. An old barn and the house next door were all brought under one well-planned roof to house the myriad objects Dan places on the enticing shelves. Now, besides his fabrics, there are chintzes for as little as a dollar a yard. These are selected by Dan and his sister Mary Frances Doyle who manages

A colorful duck print by Dan Cooper suggests the brilliant New Hampshire autumn.

The gardens of Textile House provide a vista for browsing customers. Right, Dan Cooper in his shop at Effingham Falls.

the shop. There are Liberty prints, Liberty ties, unique, delightful toys, baskets and glass, belts and china and good things to eat, and wallpapers and rugs and birdhouses in which every sensible bird should feather its nest.

As you wander through the shop you are apt to come upon Dan's mother, beautiful, stately Mrs. Samuel Cooper, playing the organ which is tucked away in the airy, pine paneled sewing room where special order curtains and covers are made. A young brown-eyed grandchild, Anne or Wayne Doyle, may be standing beside her humming the tune in a clear, fresh voice.

The year round, quantities of his fabrics are shipped from Dan's East 53rd Street showroom in New York to Effingham Falls. Some are short lengths left from larger pieces which have threaded their ways into a variety of places—private planes, yachts, ocean liners, hotels, motels, restaurants, libraries, banks, schools, offices, the trading "floor" of the

New York Stock Exchange, and homes—large and small—from a Scottish castle in Firth to a split-level in the Arizona desert.

His design motifs come from many sources. When something appeals to his "designing eye," he translates it to the drawing board—a flight of geese, a mass of clouds, ripples on the sea, Bermuda flowers and sky after a tropical rain, the sleek lines of railroad tracks lacing through the land, the fine delicacy of transparent leaves. One of his fortes is creating special designs for the board of directors' rooms and executive offices of large industrial corporations—steel, oil, communications, radio, telephone, railroads, science.

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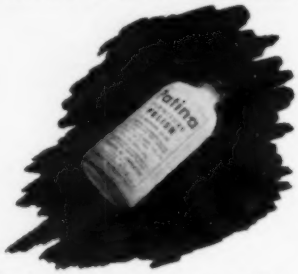

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It is fine indeed to have this talented fellow and his family return to the New England scene where many of his childhood summers were spent. Though born of Virginia parents and educated at the University of Virginia where he majored in architecture, a good bit of shrewd Yankee blood is in his veins. He is descended from Samuel Cooper of Boston, one of the founders of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences and its first vice-president, long before the days of "interior design" were born—or for that matter, the "party-line."

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►The Fall Issue of the famous L. L. Bean catalog arrived on my desk late last September, and, naturally I had to stop work and thumb through its 108 pages to see what was new with Mr. Bean. Quite a lot, I noticed, and, of course, all the old favorites were there, too. One item I'm going to order is a pair of "Thermo Socks." These are made of long wearing Isolite (a plastic, perhaps?) which acts as an insulator keeping body heat in and the cold out where it belongs. They may be worn inside hunting, working or fishing boots. Sizes 5 to 13—whole sizes only—for only $2.35 postpaid. If Mr. Bean sells them, that's good enough for me. You'd better send away to Freeport, Maine for a copy of the Fall Catalog. It's free, of course—always has been.

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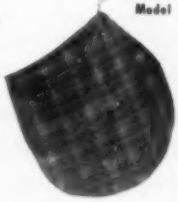
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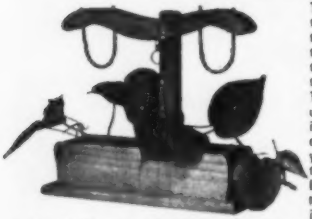

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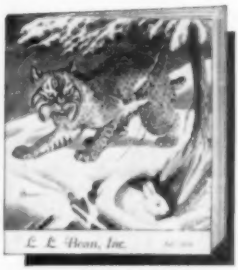

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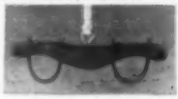

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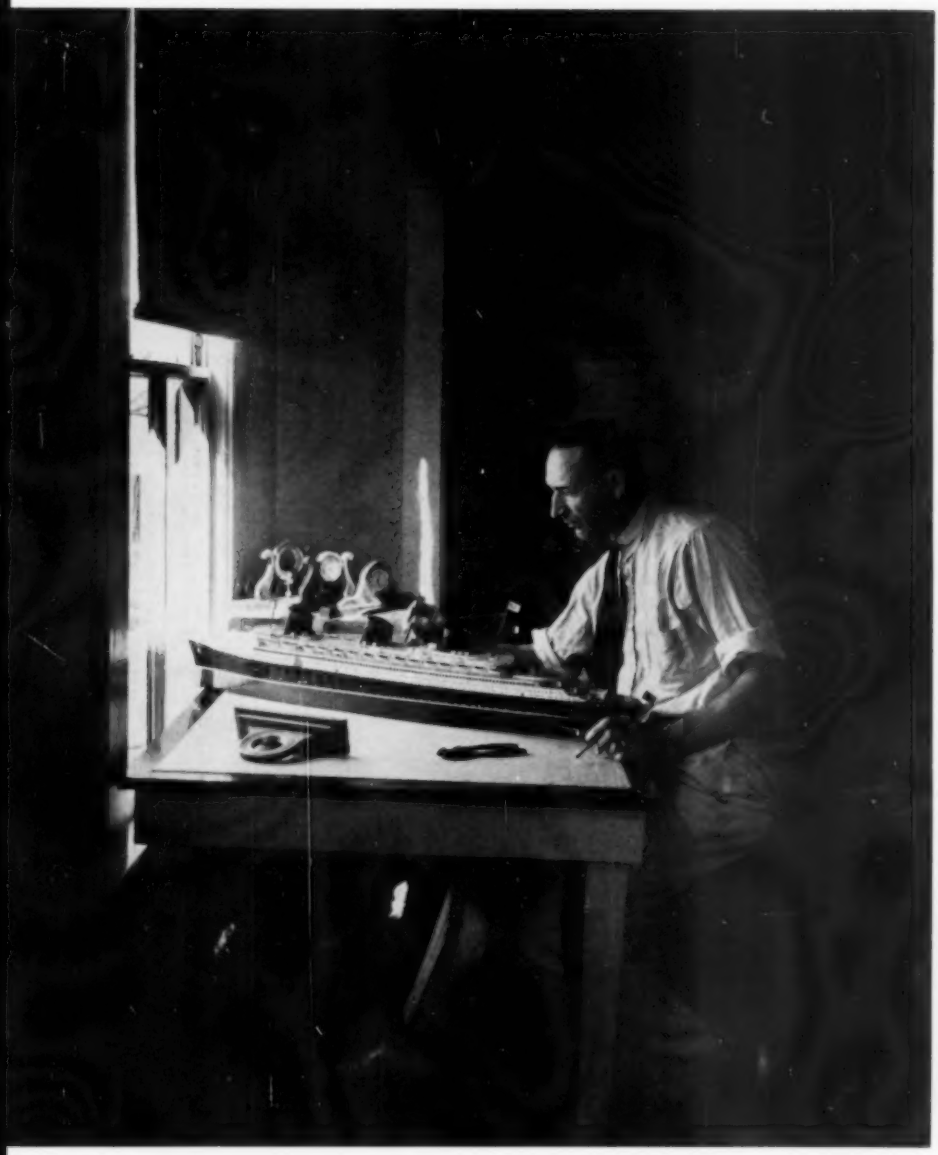

C. J. HAMMOND of Kezar Falls, Maine is a craftsman whose many hobbies keep him so busy he hardly has time for his jewelry business. This model of the *Normandie* took him two years to build. He is also an amateur magician, has made two violins, is working on a case for a grandfather clock, and has made his own 6″ telescope. In his spare time he goes out of doors and paints the Maine countryside.

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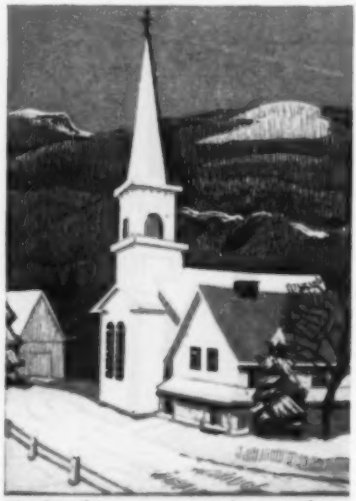

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both to and from that radiator, plugged the stubs, and was in business.

When we returned Marg wailed, "Oh, just look at my beautiful dining room now. Oh that horrible man!"

Of course it was impossible to tell which of the two pieces of copper tubing had burst. The whole installation was inside the walls or under the flooring. Mr. Dougherty suggested brightly that he run a couple of pipes up through the corner of the dining room.

"Where they'll show?" Marg demanded incredulously.

Later when we were alone she said, "I won't have him touch it! I'll go without heat in my sewing room until you find some plumber who can think of something besides running pipes up through my dining room." And then she found a sponge and began indignantly to wash the handprints off the woodwork.

This, however, for us was not Mr. Dougherty's best year. When we put in the suction line out at the lake, Mr. Dougherty, for protection, built a big wooden frame on the end of the pipe. He loaded this contraption and me into a tiny duck boat. (I was the employer, he was the employee, but I ended up in that tippy duck boat. I was nicely outmaneuvered.) Then he and Nick began adding lengths of pipe. Each length he added would push me, the contraption, and the boat, further away from the shores of Lake Champlain.

"Now," when all the lengths were fastened, he yelled, "heave her overboard and let her sink."

"Heave" was hardly the word. I gingerly moved aft in that terrifically tippy craft, took hold of the contraption, and let it, oh so gently, over the side.

It floated. It bobbed on the ripples. The pipe weight couldn't sink that much wood. And the end of the pipe, which was supposed to suck water, gayly waved at a nice angle into the air.

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Just then it let go. He tried to jerk back his head. But the stream with forty pounds of pressure, hit him in the face. His glasses and his hat were whisked right on over the top of his head and into a corner.

Mr. Dougherty can't see much without his glasses. His eyes were full of water anyway. He began to grope for the fixture. But water was flying everywhere, and finding the fixture wasn't easy. All the time he was yelling. When his hands found the fixture, at first all they did was deflect the water into his face again. The last I saw of him before I jumped to shut off the main line, he was still yelling at the top of his voice through water bouncing off his countenance.

When I came back, small stalactites of water hung from the ceiling. Everything was soaked. Mr. Dougherty was soaked worse than anything else. He was down on his knees groping for his glasses.

Mr. Dougherty is in his sixties now. And I'll continue to expect little surprises, like the time four years ago when he hooked up a toilet to the hot water line instead of the cold. Steam rose from the bowl and nobody dared sit on the thing for fear of being scalded in a strategic area.

But I doubt if I ever receive another bill that will give me as much of a laugh as the one which said: "One hour spent on toilet—$2.50."

I'm not much of an authority on the life hereafter. I don't know whether there'll be any plumbing either up above or down below. But if there is, and if, after Mr. Dougherty has left us here, they have trouble with it in his area, he'll fix it for them. It may have a few extra elbows. Afterward they may have to wipe black smudges and handprints off the nice white clouds.

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Image of a Doctor

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Always there came more letters, more telegrams and more complaints. Summons by day and by night, seemingly bound to go on forever. On two occasions he was tempted to toss in the towel and hope for better things elsewhere. There is a letter in reply to one of these attempts.

Cambridge Feb. 1861.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 24 inst would have been answered earlier but for my absence from home.

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I am very truly yours,
E. N. Horsford.

That marked the end of a dream, with thoughts of possible adventure, and a better opportunity in life. He tried again, but something must have intervened for he failed to make the change.

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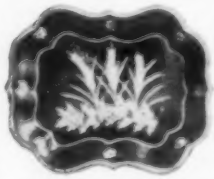

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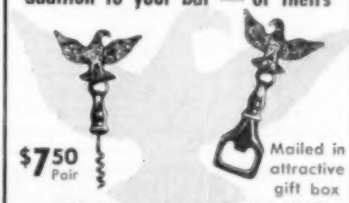

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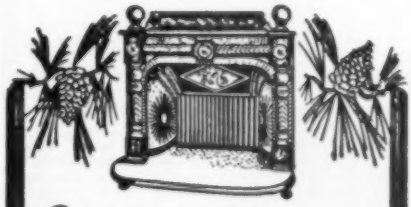

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Our sister Jenny started for the West last monday. Mary wishes me to state to you that our cousin Celissa to whom you administered medicine for hemorhage died suddenly.

Yours,
Sarah Witten.

An ancient dictionary describes 'bitters' as a 'tonic,' usually 'spiritous' but mixed with some revolting ingredient such as tannic acid so that the good people who imbibed them could assure their New England consciences that they were not just common boozers. Be that as it may, Bitters sure did things for people, as witness this glowing testimonial.

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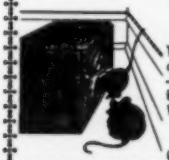

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Let's Look Ahead to Winter

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Pained expressions on the faces of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Maxwell, proprietors of the famed Blacksmith Antique Shop in East Sullivan, New Hampshire is caused by the finding of a "Win with Harrison" campaign poster in a book sold to Nathanial Howard, Editor of the Plain Dealer ***in Cleveland, Ohio, during the latter's New England summer tour. Although they were glad to have Mr. Howard own it at no cost to him and he was glad to pay for it—if need be—such events lend excitement, we are told, to the antique and old book business.***

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Looking ahead to winter plans, here's a thought worth considering. In South Lee, Massachusetts, in the beautiful Berkshires, the Oak n' Spruce last year came up with an idea for a couple or family about to take up the sport of skiing. A "Learn to Ski" package was offered at a fine low price, including five nights, fifteen meals, ski instruction, free use of skis, poles and tow, plus planned entertainment for after-skiing hours. The package operated on certain weeks only, so if you find the idea of interest, inquire early! Another innovation to tempt the would-be sportsman was the "Guaranteed skiing" offered at Oak n' Spruce. If the resort's own slopes were snowless, weekly guests were transported for free to wherever good skiing could be found.

And speaking of "package plans," an out-of-New-England resort has an attractive folder of "honeymoon plans," outlining five packages at assorted rates, ranging all the way from a budget bridal room plan up to the de luxe package that allots to the honeymooners a suite, complete with fireplace and patio. Not a bad idea, and why can't it happen here? Many of our wonderful resorts have equally good products; it's just a matter of improving the package, so to speak.

Now that the children are safely stashed away in school, there's no reason for us to get all educational, but recently we went through the tour of the Towle Silversmiths in Newburyport, Massachusetts, in company with four eager little youngsters who were no end impressed with the manufacture of silver flatware. It occurred to us then that the wealth of industry, and varied too, in our New England States offer fine opportunities for small fry to look, listen and learn—and provides them first-class material with which to impress teachers and fellow students alike later. The New England Council, 1032 Statler Building, Boston, has a folder of the plant tours that are available.

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ony, and the grant was accorded to Colonel Joseph Frye of Andover, Massachusetts, in recognition for his services as an officer in the French and Indian Wars. The Joseph Frye homesite can still be seen outside of town. Fryeburg, in addition to its White Mountain scenery, has a "donut" tree, not, as probably small frye-burgers wish, a tree that grows doughnuts, but one that grows in a doughnut-shaped loop. It also is the home of Clarence Mulford, who invented Hopalong Cassidy. In the town Admiral Peary set his "Meridian Stones," to indicate true north. Some of the fine old Colonial homes operate as guest houses and not far away are the vacation spots of Kezar Lake, Sebago and Long Lake and, of course, the New Hampshire miles of the White Mountains.

In Newport, New Hampshire, the Eagle Hotel is unusual in that, in this nearly 200-year-old town, there's a place to stay which goes back to 1827 and has been under one family's ownership for a whole century. Its history is colored with such names as Whigs —it was a sort of unofficial headquarters of that party when it was opened, and its walls undoubtedly resounded with cheers for "Tippecanoe and Tyler Too." In the '50's it passed into the hands of the Edes family and there it's been ever since, withstanding fires, hurricanes, and time itself.

In Vermont, in November, the eatin' goes on being good. Turkey and Chicken Pie suppers are still in style this month. Worthy of note: Deer Hunter's Supper in Warren, on the 17th; Supper and Hunters' Dance, Newfane, on the 17th; New England Boiled Dinner, in West Dummerston, on the 21st; and in Danville, on the 29th, a Game Supper.

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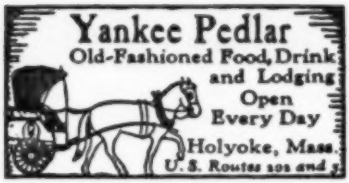

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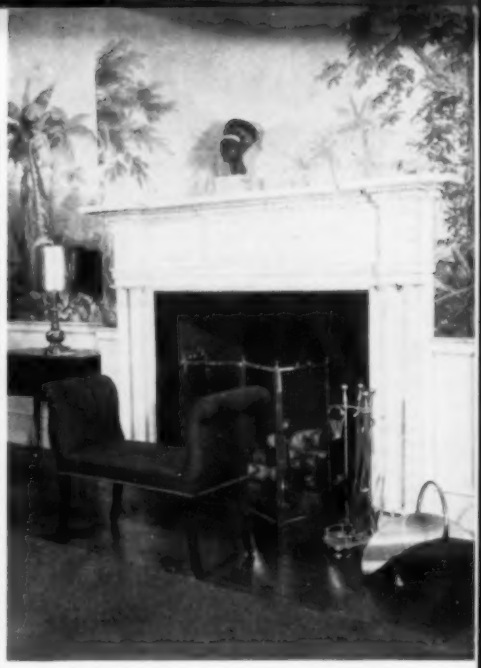

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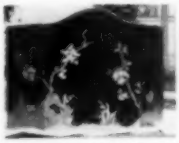

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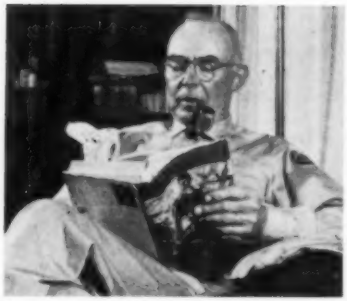

►*Del.: Dear Oracle:* I don't know why I, or anyone else, should address you as "Dear," even if it is a perferred form of address. To me you greatly resemble a rather weathered and otherwise blowsy old goat who probably has had a checkered and more or less disgraceful past and who even today, in advanced age, leers at young women and takes a stealthy nip of rum on the sly! Prudence H.

Answer: Prudy, you must have second-sight or else you have been opening our mail! We don't see how you do it, be blowed if we do! There is only one detail on which we would argue; we don't leer at young women. Certainly we don't think we do. Nobody ever explained to us just how to leer and be cussed if we ever found out!

►*Md.: Dear Oracle:* So you are a "Good" Yankee, are you? Somehow I have been led to believe that only dead Yankees are really "good." Please explain. Reb—

Answer: To us, there is something as cockeyed as the devil about a man who calls himself a Colonial hero darned nigh two hundred years after the Revolution. Still some of 'em do it! Maybe 'tis a sign of an ingrowing liver or a fallen kidney; medical science makes some darned odd hook-ups these days!

►*Iowa: Dear Oracle:* I like the way that you pronounce the name of my native state "Ioway," like the Injuns did it," as you explained. It is a courtesy that I did not expect from an Easterner. Old-timer.

Answer: Well, some of us possess a mite of culture which influences us in being polite to strangers, and some of us are timid souls who are afraid to pick a fight. That's about the size of it.

►*Kansas: Dear Oracle:* Some times you write like a seafaring man, sometimes like a farmer. Just what are you or what have you been? F.H.

Answer: Our's is a peculiar amphibious breed. We have milked cows and reefed top-s'ls, in our day. We have piloted a yoke of brindle oxen through a cedar-swamp, towing a wood-sled, and we have twirled the spokes of a three-masted schooner's wheel. We have dug potatoes, clams and cavassa-root, we have climbed a ship's rigging, palm-trees and church-steeples, and we have had active associations with fresh, salt and carbonated water! What more do you want?

►*Tenn.: Dear Oracle:* We never get any bear stories from you. J.G.

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►*Oregon: Dear Loafer:*—the Oregon squash grows as big as a barrel. F.A.

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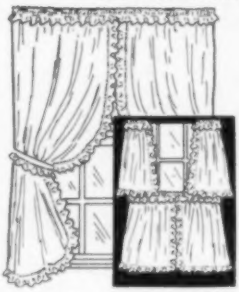

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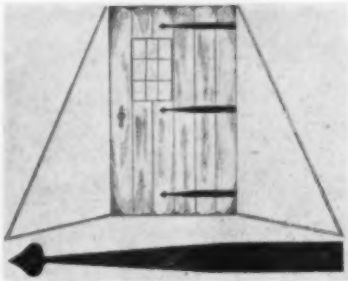

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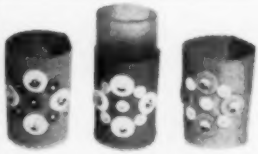

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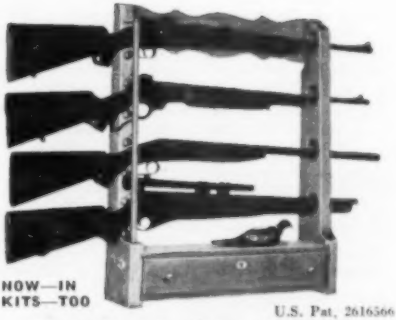

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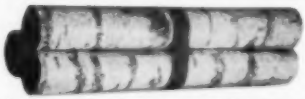

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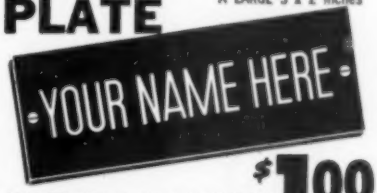

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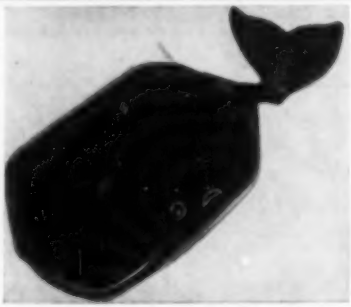

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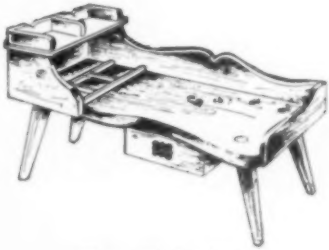

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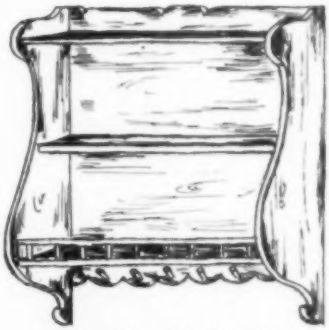

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